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ARMISTICE DAY IN COLONY.

Observance of the Silence:

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME.

On Armistice Day, November 11, the Two Minutes' Silence, and the laying of wreaths at the Cenotaph will be observed with due solemnity. Tentative arrangements are that His Excellency the Governor will arrive at 10.55 a.m., whereupon the troops lined up will be brought to attention. A Volunteer Corps escort will accompany His Excellency as far as the junction of Des Voeux and Jackson Roads.

Troops and representative bodies are scheduled to be in position at 10.45 a.m., and three minutes later the Commodore (Rear-Admiral) R. A. S. Hill, C.B.E., will arrive, followed almost immediately afterward by His Excellency the General Officer Commanding, (Major-General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.).

At 10.52 the clergy, who will robe in the Supreme Court, are due to arrive. Together with the choir, they will take up their position at the western approach to the Cenotaph. The pipers of the 2nd Battalion of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, who will be on the eastern side, next to the Cenotaph, will play the lament, "Flowers of the Forest," after which buglers of the 1st Battalion of the Somerset Light Infantry, laying next to the pipers, will sound the "Last Post." Officers will then come to the Salute.

The Silence.

At 11 o'clock precisely, one gun will be fired by one of His Majesty's ships, after which The Silence will be observed. A second round will be fired to indicate its termination, and the buglers will then sound "Reveille," after which the troops will stand at ease.

The Philharmonic Choir will then lead in the singing of the hymn, "O God, Our Help in Ages Past." It is earnestly requested that the assembled public will do their utmost to contribute to the volume of sound.

After a Prayer and a Blessing the National Anthem will be sung.

Laying of Wreaths.

His Excellency will then lay a wreath at the foot of the Cenotaph, being followed in procession by His Excellency the General Officer Commanding, the Commodore, the Senior Air Force Officer, the Royal Merchant Navy representatives, and those representatives of foreign Navies and Armies who may desire to join in. Members of the Executive and Legislative Councils will bring up the rear.

Members of the Royal Navy, the Military and the Royal Air Force, the Royal Merchant Navy, the British Legion, the ex-Active Service Men's Association, and the Old Comrades' Association will then proceed to lay wreaths followed by civilian bodies.

The Governor is scheduled to leave at 11.17, after which the clergy and troops will also depart.

The Army and Q.A.M.N.S., the St. John Ambulance, Girl Guides, Boy Scouts, and the Philharmonic Choir will take up their position at the north-west corner of the Cenotaph area, being flanked to the east by the Royal Air Force and Indian officers. The Royal Navy detachment will be directly north of the Cenotaph. The north-east corner will be occupied by Royal Naval Officers and the Marine Old Comrades' Association.

Engines, Old Comrades' Association, the Guards Association, the Royal Engineers, and the Royal Artillery will be positioned in the south-west corner of the Cenotaph area.

FATAL AIR CRASH

INDIAN LINER COMES TO GRIEF.

THREE KILLED.

ENGINE GOES OUT OF ACTION.

Boulogne, Yesterday.

The Imperial Airways liner City of Washington crashed near here at half past two this afternoon and was completely wrecked. Farm labourers who were witnesses of the crash rushed to the spot and extricated five of the occupants. All were severely injured and taken to the hospital at Neuf Chatel.

Three, namely, the pilot, Flynn, the mechanics, Mason, and a passenger named Street died of their injuries. The sixth occupant of the air liner was found on the roadside, exhausted and badly injured in the leg, but he tried to limp to the village for help.

Engine Trouble.

The crash was due to the engine going out of action as the plane neared the coast. The pilot struggled on in an endeavour to find a suitable landing place, but he encountered fog. Eye-witnesses say that when 100 feet high the machine was caught in a gust of wind and crashed on the hillside and was completely destroyed, except for the fuselage, but did not catch fire.

Street was the American secretary of a New Jersey company. Mr. F. H. Mason was a Cheltonian, and Mr. A. C. James a Bristol man.

Mr. Tompkins, who was found on the roadside courageously seeking help, was taken to hospital, where his leg was amputated. At the time of the burglary, His Excellency was asleep, we understand.

BURGLARS' HAUL FROM GENERAL.

Sensational Robbery After Ball.

SEVENTEEN MEDALS MISSING

Evading the watch of a sentry and an Indian watchman, some thieves entered Head Quarters House, China Command in the early hours of this morning, and decamped with a sensational haul, estimated to be at about \$1,700.

The victim of the robbery is His Excellency Major-General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., the General Officer Commanding, who only last night attended the ball at Government House.

According to a Police report it appears that between 3 and 7 o'clock this morning, some person or persons entered the bedroom at Headquarters' house, and stole:

10 miniature medals arranged on bar—C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

An Egyptian medal and six other medals valued at \$50.

A gold cigarette case, square pattern with patient slide open.

Forecast.—E. or S.E. winds; moderate; generally cloudy; occasional rain.

A silver pocket watch of Swiss make ("Omega") valued at \$25.

A pair of plain gold cuff links with the Cameron Crest in enamel on all four faces, valued at \$15 (made by Goldsmiths and Silversmiths Co., London).

A pair of tortoiseshell spectacles in a flat fabric case, valued at \$20.

A bunch of eight small keys, \$1.20 in loose money.

The total value is given at \$1,700.

At the time of the burglary, His Excellency was asleep, we understand.

The Police are now busy investigating this sensational affair.

AN EXAMPLE TO THE WORLD.

Prince of Wales on the Unity of the Empire.

NOT "MERE IDEALISM."

London, Yesterday.

The British Commonwealth was held up as an example to the world by the Prince of Wales at a dinner at the Guildhall of the League of Nations Union, at which all the Dominions were eminently represented.

The Prince pointed out that the gathering represented one-fourth of the entire human race, comprising different races, languages, and conditions, maintaining separate nationalities and pursuing their own methods of development. They had passed beyond the stage at which it was the duty of a Nation vehemently to assert its independence.

They could settle their differences round a table, and if a quarter of the human race had thus proved the practicability of a true League of United and Independent Nations, it was more than hope that the remaining three-fourths will be able to tread the same path? Reuter.

GENERAL PANGALOS

ARREST OF EX-DICTATOR OF GREECE.

PLOT NIPPED IN BUD.

Athens, Yesterday.

General Pangalos, the ex-Dictator of Greece, has been arrested at his residence at Eleusis following the discovery of a plot to restore him to power with the aid of insurgent forces.

The police also made arrests elsewhere, but several conspirators escaped owing to a member of the Government forces surrounding their quarters accidentally letting off a rifle. Reuter.

be positioned with Army detachments facing Chater Road.

Navy Detachment.

The Royal Navy detachment will be stationed at the south-east corner, facing Chater Road, and representatives of foreign Armies and Navies, the Consular Body, and the Royal Merchant Navy will be allotted positions there. Wreath-bearers will assemble in Chater Road in front of the Law Courts.

Home Arrangements.

London, Yesterday.

H.M. the King will present the Armistice Day service at Whitehall and will lay a wreath at the Cenotaph, which will also be attended by the Queen, the Duke of York, the Duke of Gloucester, and the Duke of Kent.

Engines, Old Comrades' Association, the Guards Association, the Royal Engineers, and the Royal Artillery will be positioned in the south-west corner of the Cenotaph area.

AMERICAN COMPANIES RAISE THEIR PRICES.

LARGE INCREASES.

London, Yesterday.

British and American companies have increased their prices by six per cent.

Mr. J. G. Thompson, managing director of the British American Tobacco Company, said yesterday that the increase would be applied to all tobacco products.

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INFANT PRINCESS CHRISTENED.

Dressed in Robe Used by Queen Victoria.

"MARGARET ROSE."

London, Yesterday.

Dressed in a cream silk, old lace robe 110 years old, used for the christening of Queen Victoria and nearly all her descendants, the 10 weeks old Princess Margaret Rose was christened this afternoon in the private chapel at Buckingham Palace by the Archbishop of Canterbury from the gold and lily font brought from Windsor Castle. The King and Queen and the Duchess of York's sister are the chief Godparents. Reuter.

RAIN THREATENED.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:

The depression has deepened. It is now about 300 miles S.S.W. of Tokyo, moving Eastward. Another has formed over Tongking.

Forecast.—E. or S.E. winds; moderate; generally cloudy; occasional rain.

Rainfall.

Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day.

7.41. Rainfall since January 1, 95.16 inches against an average of 80.50 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:

Hong Kong	78
Macao	77
Pratas Island	76
Manila	77
Foochow	70
Amoy	72
Swatow	74
Chefoo	52
Shanghai	56

TRAGEDY OF RAIN.

OVER 2,500 FAMILIES HOMELESS IN SMYRNA.

\$2,000,000 DAMAGE.

Constantinople, Yesterday.

Mosques and school buildings in Smyrna have been turned into shelters for 2,500 families rendered homeless through the devastating rains, which have already caused 134 deaths, many more missing, and \$2,000,000 worth of damage. Reuter.

The authorities are rushing rescue parties to the area affected. Reuter.

RED PERIL IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Definite Steps to Be Rid of the Menace.

CHINESE STABBED.

Manila, Yesterday.

The first definite steps were taken last night to rid the Philippines of the menace of Chinese Communists, following the stabbing of two prominent members of the Kuomintang and the burning of valuable Chinese property.

An appeal was made to the Chinese Consul to assist the police and constabulary, and furnish the names of Communists and known agitators, for the purpose of Forwarding them to Governor-General Davis with a view to deportation.

The Chinese district is heavily patrolled, and it is believed that the roving bands of Reds are temporarily cowed. The constabulary is assisting and there is every indication that there will be no cessation of activity before the danger is definitely averted.

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RAWALPINDI	16,619	6th Dec.	Bombay, Marselles, & London.
KALYAN	9,144	20th Dec.	Marselles, London, Hull, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
LAHORE	5,304	27th Dec.	Marselles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
RANCHI	16,650	1931 3rd Jan.	Bombay, Marselles & London.
JEPPORE	5,318	10th Jan.	Marselles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
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TALMA	10,000	7th Nov.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RAWALPINDI	16,619	11th Nov.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANIA	6,949	13th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yohama.
LAJORE	5,318	22nd Nov.	Amoy, Moji & Kobe.
ELIZA	6,744	22nd Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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BANCHI	16,650	5th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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An application from the company was read at a meeting of the Cork Harbour Board, and it was proposed to allow the vessel to remain in docks at Passage West or Monkstown Bay, in the hope of more favourable circumstances arising to justify its departure to Vancouver.

It was stated that other applications had also been received for tonnage to lie up in the harbour, which was being selected for the purpose as the conditions with regard to dues were more favourable than at British ports, where the dues for accommodating an idle vessel are described as being excessive.

The port charges for such a purpose at Cork Harbour are said to be nominal in comparison with elsewhere, and as a consequence many inquiries are stated to have been received by the Board. It is explained that if certain formal conditions are complied with, only a small sum is required when a vessel enters port, and subsequently it can remain as long as its owners desire without having to pay anything further.

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In reference to the Prince Robert, the chairman of the Harbour Board, Mr. Wallace, stated at the Board meeting that it might not mean much in revenue, but it would mean something for local traders in supplying all the provisions required by the crew or the maintenance party aboard in care of the vessel, and in view of that, he trusted they would have more such ships to fill empty gaps in the port, though laid-up tonnage was not encouraging.

It was decided to give the Canadian National Steamship Co. every facility.

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ADJECTIVES.

Believe it or not, we journalists grow weary of the word-prison which, by an unwritten law of letters, is supposed to circumscribe our presentations to the public. It is even considered heresy (omitting the prefix "rank") to use the uncommon word, however accurately it may convey one's meaning. Quite recently the *China Mail* upset all traditions of journalese by introducing "obfuscation" with considerable emphasis and defiance. It was a good, strong word, with nothing of your pretty-pretty, dilettante air about it. But no doubt it offended the susceptibilities of the pedants, to whom, nevertheless, Gertrude Stein and the Sitwells are not anomalies because they have captured the hearts and tickled the purses of fashionable magazine Editors.

Half the trouble in the world is due to the misuse of words, and a treaty for the limitation of undesirable adjectives would, in all seriousness, do far more good than half-heard schemes of disarmament. With heartless repetition, more lies are perpetrated in newspapers and quasi-bombastic publications than were ever heard in any court of law. Thoughtless tradition has chained the nervous fingers of the journalist to a pen which may write only within aesthetic limits. Every "adjective" is "high" and "descriptive"; all nouns are "churned up"; every verb is "dynamic".

Not a little of the blame is to be laid upon the newspapers and the literary productions which nowadays pour from the presses in ever-rolling streams of ink and dried pulp. The true meanings of words are falsified and swallows by the gullible public, with the same placid resignation with which the giraffe will gobble the buns, bits of paper, boot-laces and buttons which are offered to it by infantile Torquemadas at the Zoo. The middle classes in Great Britain (that is, from a National point of view) are important factors in this trend, and their influence is growing.

Look upon life; hence it is easy for the "influent" newspapers to evoke whatsoever passions they please by the utterance of nicely selected and kaleidoscopic adjectives. If a Press lord wishes to depose the leader of a party whose Parliamentary machinations are disagreeable to his ambitions, he merely has to summon his favourite leader writer to compile a few suggestive adjectives, which in themselves may be a jumble of invective, but the general impression conveyed by them may lead to the political catastrophe that was desired. In graver instances the feelings of a people can be so played upon by the juggling of words that the sanest and the mildest of men will yield to the feverish impulse awakened and pick up a rifle. The need, then, for more concise thinking, greater precision in the use of words, and the avoidance of sensational phrases, is clear. What an opportunity — yes, a "golden" opportunity — is here presented for the English Association to bestir itself in the interests of world peace!

HALLOWE'EN.

REAL SIGNIFICANCE OF FESTIVAL.

SPIRITS AND FAIRIES.

The eve of publication of this number of the Yellow Dragon, that is the eve of November 1, is a very special night for Scotsmen. It is a feast night — Hallowe'en as it is called.

Exactly why "Hallowe'en" is distinguished as a feast day we do not know, but we are inclined to think that whatever its original import may have been, its prominence nowadays is chiefly due to the fact that it serves as "an excuse for the glass." We have asked several Scotsmen what meaning the night has and their answers have been vague. We have even attended a Hallowe'en dinner ourselves and, although we have come away crammed with Scotch wisdom and other things we have been nearer to finding any real reason for it. Maybe, of course, that we are wrong in looking for a reason, and that such a night is in itself sufficient justification for the morning after.

The real significance of the festival was undoubtedly in some way connected with spirits, hobgoblins, witches, fairies and the like. It was said to be a fitting time for enquiring of the fates the name and character of one's future husband or wife and other such affairs, but, fortunately perhaps, nobody now seems to know exactly how these rites should be performed. Bobbie Burns has written several verses on Hallowe'en which begin —

"Upon that night, when fairies light
On Cassilis Downans dance,
Or owe the lays, in splendid blaze,

"On sprightly coursers prance;
Or for Colean the rout is tu'en,
Beneath the moon's pale beams;
There, up the coye, to stray an' rove

"Among the rocks and streams,
To sport that night —"

The verses go on to describe various revellings and weird happenings quite outside the ken of an Englishman, but do not throw much light on the exact meaning of it all, although they emphasise the importance of "sport that night."

Other sources also point to a connection with spirits and witches and rites of a semi-religious character, and it almost seems as if Hallowe'en has remained in place of many separate festival days, which have gradually dropped out until now all the fairies and spirits only receive their observances on that one day.

It is well for us that the exact functions of Chinese festival days are better remembered, or they also might all be kept at one time, and we should then be lacking many a holiday — Yellow Dragon.

VAMPIRE OF MODERN LIFE.

Superstition of Middle Ages Revived in Europe!

GERMAN MURDERS.

To picture fans, who associate vampires almost exclusively with tiger skins and Oriental divans, there is something startling in the latest Continental theory to account for the series of mysterious murders in the east of Germany.

Some European newspapers are suggesting that the outbreak is due to vampirism, of the kind which flourished in the Middle Ages.

In actual fact, the belief in vampires who thrive on human blood has never entirely died out among the more ignorant of the peasantry in Central Europe. It is a very old theory, which is recorded on the mud tablets of Chaldea and Assyria, but it is still a living force in some regions of Germany, Austria, and some parts of the Balkan States.

Dodging the Vampire.

According to the best authorities

a vampire is "a dead body which continues to live in the grave; which it leaves, however, by night, for the purpose of sucking the blood of the living, whereby it is nourished and preserved in good condition."

The picture Dracula recently aroused a great deal of interest in the superstition and it was followed by a quite serious handbook on Modern Vampirism: Its Dangers and How to Avoid Them. The methods advocated in this work by A. O. Eaves range from high ideals to the use of garlic and the placing of small saucers of nitric acid in convenient places about the home.

That Vampirism is not a long exploded superstition is evident from a book by Herbert Mayo, M.D., formerly Senior Surgeon of Middlesex Hospital, and Professor of Anatomy and Physiology at King's College. It is called, "On the Truth Contained in Popular Superstitions," and is dated 1851.

After describing the methods of vampires and the means of avoiding their attacks, Dr. Mayo says: "This is no romancer's dream. It is a succinct account of a superstition which to this day survives in the East of Europe, where little more than a century ago it was frightfully prevalent."

"At that period vampirism spread like a pestilence through Servia and Wallachia, causing numerous deaths, and disturbing all the land with fear of the mysterious visitation, against which none felt himself secure."

"Here is something like a good, solid, practical popular delusion. Do I believe it? To be sure I do. The facts are matters of history; the people die like rotten sheep; and the cause and method was, in their belief, what has just been stated."

"Proof" for Sceptics.

Dr. Mayo quotes as evidence a document signed by three regimental surgeons and formally countersigned by a lieutenant and sub-lieutenant. The date is June 7, 1732, and the place is Mednegran, near Belgrade.

Here is a specimen case: "A woman of the name of Miliza had died at the end of a three months' illness. The body had been buried nine odd days. In the chest was liquid blood. The body was declared by the hejuk, who recognised it to be in better condition and fatter than it had been in the woman's lifetime."

Dr. Mayo contends that an epidemic of vampirism may be started by a few premature burials; but he can find no satisfactory explanation of the vampire when on the rampage.

Mr. Eaves's explanation and that of other authors who deal in old superstitions veneered with new theories, is that vampires are bad men and women who have died either by accident or suicide, but who cannot get away from their earth life because their desire for their old days is too strong. They seek to live vicariously, "by feeding on the emanations arising from blood and alcohol; public houses and slaughter-houses are thronged with these unhappy creatures."

These needs, he claims, explain the customs of offering blood sacrifices.

In extreme cases, vampires are said to obtain control of other human bodies in which to commit their crimes.

Secrets of the Grave.

The more rational explanation of vampirism, although it is no means complete, is that the belief originated through earth burial. Races who cremate their dead have no such superstition. There is always the possibility, with earth burial, that the human body is buried alive unwittingly. Most people realize nowadays that suffocation would follow immediately upon burial, but ignorant and fearful persons were and are ready to imagine that the dead person would need to find a place to live, paying for the living.

Epidemics of "death through vampirism" are explained by strong reactions upon the fixed idea in the well-known shorificial system of medicine.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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TIME FOR AN OVERHAUL?

DAMMING A RIVER.

NOVEL METHOD USED IN CANADA.

A new method of damming a river has been carried out recently in Canada. The experiment was made at Chute-a-Caron, on the River Saguenay 14 miles above Chicoutimi, in Quebec.

The method consisted in building a large column of concrete on the edge of the river channel, shaped on its inward side in accordance with the conformation of the river bed, and then blasting away the base of the block so that it should fall into the river and completely fill its bed.

The experiment was a complete success. The dam had been carried up to each side of the actual bed of the main stream, and it was necessary to divert this stream while the bed was bridged. A block of concrete 100 ft. high and weighing 10,000 tons was erected a little above the dam by the side of the stream. Its base was blasted and the block fell upon the water with an enormous splash. The stream was thrown aside and flowed through the gap in the already built dam, only a small part of the water continuing in its old channel.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1930.

HELD BY BANDITS.

FATE OF FOREIGN MISSIONARIES IN CHINA.

FORMIDABLE LIST.

Hankow, Yesterday. The following is a list of names and nationalities, dates and places captured, and other details, of twenty-two missionaries taken prisoner since April by bandits in the provinces of Hunan, Hupeh and Kiangsi:

Fathers Laffan and Lineham (British), April 26, at Sientaochen, Hupeh. Present whereabouts uncertain.

Fathers Dalgado and Avito (Spanish), April 30, Anhwei. Now held in Honan.

Father Fernandez (Spanish), June 28, Nanchien, Hunan. Now held in Shensi.

Father Brugnetti, (Italian), August 15, Shékichen, Honan. Released October 16.

Father Macchesini (Italian), September 14, Suhsien, Hupeh. Released September 21.

Mr. Bert Nelson (American), October 5, Kwangshen, Honan. Now held at Hwangan, Hupeh.

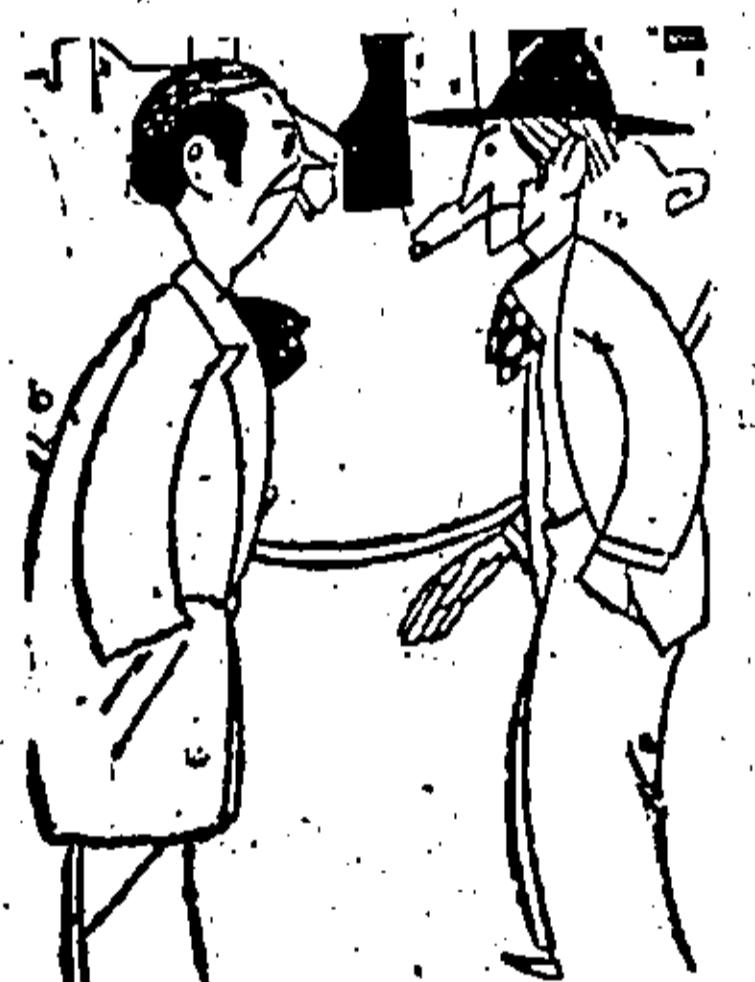
Miss Evenson (American), October 16, Loshan. Released October 24.

Mr. K. N. Tvedt (Norwegian), October 16, Loshan. Now held at Hwangan, Hupeh.

Bishop Mignani (Italian) and Father De Jensis (French), October 5, Kian, Kiangsi. Released October 15.

Fathers Barbato, Capozzi, Purino (Italian), Father Thieffry (French), Sister Ramos (Filipino), Sister Rognoni (Italian), Sisters Le Port, Merle, Larmichant (French), October 5, Kian. Believed now held in South Kiangsi.

Father Von Arx (Swiss), October 16, Pengtseh, Kiangsi. Held near Pengtseh—Reuter.



"I don't know what is wrong with me. I am so desperate that I would not mind dying."

"If that case you had better see a doctor."—*Buen Humor*, Madrid.

AMERICA'S IDLE.

LABOUR PRESIDENT'S APPEAL FOR JOBS.

ACUTE NEED.

Washington, Yesterday. Mr. Green, the President of the American Federation of Labour, has appealed to all groups to join the movement to provide jobs and relief to conquer unemployment.

It is anticipated that the official estimate of 3,500,000 unemployed will be increased in the winter months to well over five millions.

Including the families dependent on such unemployed, Mr. Green estimates that over twenty million persons, or one sixth of the entire population, is threatened with acute need.—*Reuter's American Service*.

PALESTINE POLICY.

AGITATION DUE TO A MISCONCEPTION.

NO DIVERGENCE.

London, Yesterday. Referring to the Government's Palestine policy at a meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party, Lord Passfield, Secretary for the Colonies, said there is absolutely no intention whatever on the part of the Government to diverge from the policy carried out by previous successive Governments, and that the agitation which had been created was due to the recent White Paper, must be due entirely to the action of British wireless correspondents.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT.

The Duke of Connaught, who is the new Governor-General of Canada, has arrived in London, having been received by King George V.

MUSHA MASSACRE.

PATHETIC STORIES OF THE SURVIVORS.

A FAITHFUL ABORIGINE.

Tokyo, Yesterday. Pathetic stories of the survivors of the Musha massacre appear in vernacular papers. They indicate that the first intimation of the impending catastrophe was the sound of a rifle shot followed almost immediately by the war cries of savages, who, armed with swords, spears, and other primitive weapons, burst upon the peaceful scene, and sprang among the spectators and participants at the athletic meeting, which most of the inhabitants were attending.

Within a short time the gaily decorated school grounds had been converted into a shambles, the savages slaughtering men, women and children and indiscriminately cutting off their heads.

Most of the 38 survivors who have so far been accounted for, escaped by hiding beneath the floors of houses or fleeing to the neighbouring hills. One small boy owed his life to a faithful aborigine servant, who carried him on his back to safety, after his father, a police official, had been ruthlessly murdered.—*British Wireless Service*.

KWANGSI CAMPAIGN.

ADMIRAL TO REPORT TO NANKING.

Canton, Yesterday.

Admiral Chan Chak, accompanied by his secretary, Mr. Shin Choshu, and Mr. Pao Liang-chu, committee member of the Municipal Party Headquarters, left yesterday for Hong Kong, to take the Empress of Canada to Shanghai and thence to Nanking.

In a press interview the Admiral said that his visit to Nanking was in order to attend the 4th Plenary Session, to report to the Central Government regarding the recent campaign against the rebels, and to obtain instructions concerning Naval development.

It is understood that during the absence of the Admiral, his Chief of Staff, Chan Ting, will take charge of all affairs in the Naval H.Q.—*Canton News Agency*.

KISSES WORTH £700.

BROKER'S COSTLY EMBRACE ON BOARD LINER.

There has recently arrived in London a girl whose kisses are worth £700 each—and two Britons kissed her for nothing, without knowing it!

"They were very old friends," laughingly explained Miss Josephine Larkin, of New York, an ex-Ziegfeld Folly, who is the owner of the beautiful but costly lips. "So naturally I kissed them just for fun."

Josephine Larkin is in London on holiday, and she is one of those lovely New York women who have made the Ziegfeld Follies, and America in general, famed all over the world.

"There was a lot of fuss made over that £700 kiss," she continued. "It happened when I was coming to England in the Berengaria. On board was a rich New York broker, famed for his lavish entertainments."

"The Chase." One night he vowed he would kiss me; I was equally determined that he would not, so when I saw him approaching I made a quick getaway. He followed me as rapidly as he could, and the result was a race.

"Eventually, after we had disturbed several hundreds of peaceful passengers and I had run a little over a mile, he caught me up. I think he deserved a kiss after a run like that, don't you? Oh, yes, it was a very cold kiss, and all that, but it was a kiss just the same."

"I had previously told him that if anyone kissed me by force he would have to give me a mink coat. So when I landed I was found wearing a mink coat and carrying a cheque for £700."

"A matter of fact the broker, whom I have not seen since, never told me exactly what his present was for. But I do remember that he sang two songs which he especially liked, and her eyes were bright with pleasure."

"I should have thought to think that his gifts are really worth £700."

IDLE LIST.

COMING DEBATE IN THE COMMONS.

A VOTE OF CENSURE.

Rugby, Yesterday. In the House of Commons on Monday there will be a full debate on unemployment, when Mr. Baldwin, the Opposition leader, will move an amendment to the Address, censuring the Government for failure to deal adequately with the problem.

Answeling criticisms in the House last night Mr. Vernon Hartshorn, the Lord Privy Seal, claimed that no Government in the last ten years had done anything worth so much as the present Government in financing and providing work schemes for the unemployed. He showed that much of the diminution of export trade was due to permanent causes, and argued that in consequence, more would have to be produced for the Home market than ever before.—*British Wireless Service*.

FLEET REVIEW.

TREAT FOR THE CONFERENCE DELEGATES.

HISTORIC INTEREST.

London, Yesterday. The Imperial Conference delegates will visit the fleet at sea on Saturday. They will embark at Weymouth, and see the gathering of sixty war vessels of all types, for which a comprehensive programme has been prepared to give the guests an opportunity of seeing the characteristics of each class.

The occasion will also have historic interest, as some ships which will be present, such as the Iron Duke (Admiral Jellicoe's flagship at Jutland), are due to pass out of the service before long, under the London Naval Treaty, which became operative on Monday.—*British Wireless Service*.

FRANCE & ITALY.

A REPLY TO MUSSOLINI'S VIOLENT SPEECH.

Paris, Yesterday.

M. Tardieu, in a speech referred to the position of France, and said they were living in a time of material and mental trouble, when a superfluity of words is used exceeding the capacity of acts. "Our people is strong and wise, and does not believe in giving lessons to other peoples."

This declaration of the Premier is generally considered to be a reply to Mussolini's violent speech the other day, when he spoke of an alleged menace to Italy's frontiers.—*Havas*.

EASTER ISLAND.

ONCE THE CENTRE OF A GREAT EMPIRE.

Archaeologists are giving increased attention to the mystery of Easter Island, the lonely dot of land 2,000 miles from its nearest neighbour in the South Seas. It has a population of 200 or 300 native Polynesians.

After spending several months on the island, Professor J. Macmillan Brown, of the University of New Zealand, supports the theory that Easter Island was once the centre of great empire and the burial place of its heroes.

The giant statues, or busts, were, he believes, erected as funeral monuments, carved at the time the heroes of the lost empire were brought to the necropolis for burial.

About 100 statues are still to be found on this island, some weighing as much as 100 tons. Each statue has a portrait bust on which individual features—strong chins, short upper lips and Roman noses—may be distinguished.

A Lost Empire. Professor Brown is also of the opinion that Easter Island itself has changed considerably since the statues were carved. Much of the island, as has happened to other islands of the South Seas, may have disappeared into the ocean when the surrounding archipelagoes were submerged, leaving only a mountainous area of some 80,000 acres.

With no little fertile soil and practically no rainfall, Easter Island alone could not have supported at any time a civilization as vast and as highly developed as that which created the mysterious busts.

The date of the submergence of the island is unknown, but it is matter for speculation.

Never the less, the ancient inhabitants of the island, like the people of the Americas, had a spiritual life, and a knowledge of medicine and surgery, which was remarkable.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

To-day.—Queen's Theatre, "The Rogue Song."

To-day.—Central Theatre, "The Cuckoo."

To-day.—World Theatre, "Heroes of the Wild"; also "Taking a Chance."

To-day.—Star Theatre, "The Singing Fool."

To-day.—Majestic Theatre, "The Love Parade."

To-day.—Scottish Company H.K.V.D.C., Hallown Diner.

November 1.—At Hotel Savoy, Ballroom Dance Competition (evening dress), 10 p.m.

November 1.—Peninsula Hotel Carnival Dance.

Dec. 12.—Hong Kong Automobile Association third annual dinner dance.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE.

HONG KONG WATER SUPPLY.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Rider Mains, in the Districts West of Eastern Street will be CLOSED on Monday, 3rd November.

A Constant Supply from Street Fountains will be maintained from that date in these districts.

HAROLD T. CREASY,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department,
Hong Kong, 30th October, 1930.

ROYAL HONG KONG YACHT CLUB.

THE OPENING CRUISE.

will take place on SATURDAY next; November 1. Friends or Members are cordially invited to be present. First Ladies' Race starts at 3 p.m.

By Order,
M. I. DE VILLE,
Hon. Secretary,
Hong Kong, October 31, 1930.

NOBLE'S VERSION OF HIS FLIGHT.

LADIES' MORNING PARTIES.

Pinging and Ponging in Bangkok.

"ITALIA" DISASTER.

"At the moment I decided to leave an hour or two before my companions, I never once thought that anybody could criticise my action. But if I had suspected it I should have gone just the same, for I considered it my duty."

"But who dares set himself up as judge of events happening in such unique and terrible circumstances? One can only listen and keep silent."

—General Noble.

"With the 'Italia' to the North Pole." By Umberto Noble. Translated by Frank Fleetwood. (Allen and Unwin, 15s. net.)

"Most newspaper readers will still remember," says the Manchester Guardian, "the excitement at the end of May, 1929, when it was announced that the dirigible 'Italia,' having successfully flown over the North Pole, was missing and the frantic international search for it in which Amundsen lost his life, and remember also the sad controversy that arose on the reasons for the disaster and the leader's actions. This is Noble's answer to his critics."

"The main criticism of Noble is that he allowed himself to be rescued first and left his comrades. There seems no reason why Noble should not have gone first; he could do no good by staying—he was helpless from his injuries."

"It had been agreed by the six that he should go first, and Lundborg also insisted that he should, as his advice and knowledge were needed at the rescue base. So he went, and the world, or most of it, said he had deserted his men."

"The Italy of Mussolini," points out the Daily Telegraph reviewer, "and Fascism could not be expected to relish such a breach with the traditions of conventional heroism, whether it was justified or not."

"General Noble's explanation is:

(1) That he was helpless with a broken arm and leg, and a mere burden on his party.

(2) That he was far more useful at the base, supplying the rescuers with necessary information, than lying a mere prisoner on the ice-floe, and that if he had not gone there the others would never have been rescued; and

(3) That the rescuing airman stated that his categorical orders were to bring away General Noble first. All this may be true, but it did not add glamour to the situation."

"Whatever impression the narrative makes on the reader as to General Noble's own competence, there is no question that the second half of it, after the crashing of the airship, is as good reading as any book of its kind."

"There is no doubt that the book, or account of the personal issue, will be widely read, and the reader will get, too, that thrill which all books on polar exploration generally provide in full measure."

"The author of the book, Mr. John Haig, is a Scotchman, and a man of considerable experience in the Arctic regions. He has written many books on polar exploration, and is a member of the Royal Geographical Society."

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Decision of Straits
Racing.

MANY POINTS AT ISSUE.

"Tic-Tac," discussing racing in
Penang, in the columns of the
Penang Gazette, says—

Difference of opinion with re-
gard to jockeys who, when they
see, or think they cannot win, do
not always endeavour to get a
place has always existed wherever
there is racing and I am glad to
see that this matter has been
brought to the notice of the Straits
Racing Association who, having
considered the matter some time
ago, have again re-published their
warning.

It is the public who suffer when
the horses are not ridden out. The
punter usually puts his
money on a win and place but
the jockey, who thinks he cannot
win does not always endeavour to
get into a place.

By not getting into a place the
horse stands to benefit as he gets
off better in the next race on the
handicaps unless, of course, the
handicapper has watched the race
very closely and has taken a note
of the horse's running.

Unit Horses.

There was quite a stir created,
in Penang, and at Taiping, when
a horse was entered at both meet-
ings and scratched on the day of
the race.

The trainer maintained that the
horse was fit as the animal was
able to get through his training
work in, apparently, the best of
style. The horse, however, was
considered unfit by the Official
Veterinary Surgeon and debarred
from taking part in its race.

Another horse that was also
entered at Taiping was thought
not fit for racing. He took part
in a race and subsequently broke
down and had to be destroyed.

Immediate Action.

These matters were brought to
the notice of the S.R.A. who at
their meeting held on August 25,
considered the matter at some
length. The decision is contained
in the following official notice:

"The attention of Racing
Stewards of Associated Clubs has
recently been drawn to the at-
tempts of certain trainers to
run horses that are obviously
unfit to race.

"It is not possible nor should
it be necessary for Racing
Stewards to have numbers of
horses examined for fitness to
race.

"The committee of the Straits
Racing Association expect that
every trainer will exercise the
utmost care to see that horses
are in a fit state to race before
declaring them as runners.

In the event of trainers being
in any doubt they can always
obtain the services of the Official
Veterinary Surgeon free of
charge to examine and report
as to a horse's fitness to run.

"The committee of the Straits
Racing Association wish this to
be a warning to trainers that
if further attempts are made to
run horses that are for any ob-
vious reason unfit to race, it
will be viewed with grave dis-
pleasure."

Not Riding Out.

The S.R.A. warning with regard
to jockeys not always endeavouring
to get a place, when they think
they cannot win, is set out in
the following notice:

"It has come to the notice of
racing stewards that jockeys
who cannot win do not always
endeavour to get a place.

Trainers and jockeys are
hereby warned that if "win" he must
ride his horse out and endeavour
to get a "place" and that the
Stewards will penalise any
jockey who is proved to have
had a reasonable chance of get-
ting a "place" and does not
preserve in his effort to do so.

Jockeys must ride their horses
out to the end of the race if
they have a reasonable chance
of running first, second or third
and shall, in no case, trust to
a chance of objection.

Reckless Riding.

The subject of reckless riding
was considered at a meeting of
the Straits Racing Association
held on June 23 this year and the
decision is re-published and is as
follows:

"Reckless, careless and erra-
tic riding will not be tolerated.
Jockeys are hereby warned that
they are liable to have their
licences suspended or cancelled
by the Stewards for such rid-
ing."

General

The responsibility as to bad
riding rests entirely on the
jockey and not on the
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The Christmas Parcel Mail for Great Britain will be closed in the General Post Office at 5 p.m. on November 7, per s.s. Macedonia. This mail is due in London on December 12.

INWARD MAILED

From	Per	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31.
Straits		Lahore
Saturday		NOVEMBER 1.
Sourabaya		Amblin
Shanghai and Swatow		Sunning
Shanghai		Zosma
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Oct. 8)		President Wilson
Manila		SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2.
Sourabaya		President Cleveland
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., Oct. 16)		Empress of Russia
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Oct. 10)		President Madison
Straits		WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5.
Amoy and Swatow		Alipore
Japan		Melbourne Maru
Europe via Suez (Letters and papers, London, Oct. 9, and Parcels, Oct. 2)		Rawalpindi
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7.		
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle, Oct. 18)		President Pierce
Australia and Manila		SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9.
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For	Per	FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia		Hakusan Maru 3.30 p.m.
Samsui and Wuchow		Toi Shan 4 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles		Suwa Maru (Due Marseilles, Nov. 30.)
K.P.O.		G.P.O.
Registration Oct. 31, 4:30 p.m.		Registration Nov. 1, 8:45 a.m.
Letters		Letters 9:30 a.m.
Tourane		Chung Kong
Formosa		Alster
Swabue		Cheung On
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1.		10:30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta		Himalaya Maru
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia		Anchises
Shanghai		Kiungchow
Foochow via Swatow		Chip Shing
Sandakan		Maui Sang
Amoy		Antung
Manila		President Wilson
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2.		5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow		Kiangau
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3.		8:30 a.m.
Swatow		Hydrangea
Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America and Europe via San Francisco		3 p.m.
President Cleveland		President Cleveland
(Due San Francisco, Nov. 26.)		(Due San Francisco, Nov. 26.)
Parcels		Parcels 3.30 p.m.
Registration		Registration 4:15 p.m.
Letters		Letters 5 p.m.
President Cleveland		Letters 6 p.m.
Registration Nov. 3, 5 p.m.		Yuen Sang
Letters		5 p.m.
Amoy		NOVEMBER 4.
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5.		Haiching
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		1 p.m.
Manila		Empress of Russia
Manila		3:30 p.m.
Swatow		President Madison
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6.		4:30 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane		Foo Shing
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7.		5 p.m.
Straits		NOVEMBER 8.
FRIDAY,		Kut Sang
Straits and Calcutta		Parcels Nov. 7, Noon
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Letters 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles		Hai Yang
K.P.O.		Macedonia
Parcels		(Due Marseilles, Dec. 5.)
Registration Nov. 7, 4:30 p.m.		G.P.O.
Letters		Parcels Nov. 7, 5 p.m.
President Pierce		Registration Nov. 8, 9:45 a.m.
Manila		Letters 10:30 a.m.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8.		President Pierce 4:30 p.m.

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THE PAST RECALLED.

The Yamagata Japanese Wax-work Exhibition lies far away from anything resembling the Marylebone Road, far, indeed, also from any Metropolis. Yet it is an even more national affair than Madame Tussaud's and lies in the very heart of the national life, says the Yamagata correspondent of the Morning Post.

Tokyo is much too new and business-like to ensnare the soul of so antique and mysterious a nation as the Japanese. Hence, if one wishes to find the fons et origo of the Japanese Empire as well as its present inspiration one must travel far away, west of Tokyo, to the little country town of Yamada, where lie the ancient Ise Shrines.

The chief of these shrines is that of the Sun-Goddess, Amaterasu, the divine ancestress of the first Emperor, Jimmu Tenno, who is said to have founded the present Imperial Dynasty as far back as 660 B.C. Of this Ise Shrine one may, for once, correctly employ the much-abused adjective "unique." Not only is it dedicated to the only Sun-Goddess, founder of any existing dynasty, but its beautiful precincts constitute the cleanest and holiest park in the world.

All of it is, indeed, holy ground, from the shining white wood of the Uji-bashi that spans the sacred Uzusui, clearest of all crystal streams, to the woodland paths that lead to the serenely simple structure of the shrine itself. Not a cigarette may be lighted there, nor even a match or a fragment of paper dropped.

Near to this pure and holy ground stands the national museum, that contains not only choice antique treasures to gladden the eyes of scholars, but also the most perfectly satisfying wax-works exhibition I have ever seen.

As we walk solemnly and in due order down the corridors, where even a whisper fades fearfully away, we find ourselves in the midst of ant-que Japan. The life-size tableau and processions of priests and princesses, warriors and maidens, some in robes of severe purity, others shining with rare wealth of colour and ornament, are instinct with reality.

Bygone Life. Still and silent though they are, they carry us far away into the very heart of bygone life, and their august presences impress us as demanding our abashed reverence. Real also must they have seemed to their skillful makers, for they have scrupled to dress them in anything but the finest and most genuine quality of robes their dignity expects.

The most awe-inspiring sight is that of the different stages in the ritual appropriate to the worship of the Sun-Goddess, from the first cutting, by a solemn-faced virgin, of the grass to prepare the site, to the secret passage, formed of the wide-spreading white robes of eye-averted priests, down which the ancient mirror, sacred symbol of the goddess, moves when it changes its abode.

A Fascinating Exhibit. Yet the most fascinating exhibit, perhaps, stands apart from the great life-sized figures, and consists in small scale model of a hundred or so perfectly modeled figures. It is the procession of a daimyo, or feudal lord, exactly as one might have stolen a secret glimpse at it hundreds of years ago, winding its fantastic and sacred length along one of the highways leading to the capital. "Sacred," yes, for in those days it was at the risk of death that any one intruded his person in the processional course of a great feudal lord.

Just as in the shrine itself, so here one is impressed with the air of spotless cleanliness and simple dignity. Ultimately, ablations and bodily cleanliness com-

BIRTH OF THE ALPHABET.

Influence of Mouth Gestures.

CO-OPERATION OF TONGUE.

London, Sept. 18. Students of the alphabet believe that the influence of mouth gestures is responsible for its development.

A corresponding sympathy of movement between the human mouth, tongue and hands is said to be the paramount reason why we have a definite alphabet, so named because it is derived from the Greek names of the first two letters—alpha and beta.

Sir Richard Paget speaking before an anthropology group said that the symbols are commonly suggestive, either of a closed mouth, or of two lips closed or open, or on the point of opening.

If the alphabets of different nations are examined it would be found that in the letters standing for the sounds of P, B, M, and W, and also for the vowel sound U, the two lips are more or less protruded and brought together.

Shape Sounds. Sir Richard believes that every letter of the English alphabet, a series indicating a single sound or combination of sounds, except possibly H and Q, is closely related to the shape of the mouth.

A number of examples of the English alphabet were given by Sir Richard which follow:

A—a letter originally written lying on its side, suggests an open mouth facing right.

B—is the profile of two lips, pointing towards the right.

E—represents a mouth pointing to the right, with the tongue at midheight, as in pronouncing the sound of e in man.

I—is an elevated tongue, as in the sound of e in eat.

L—is another vertical tongue sign.

M—represents two lips in profile, pointing upwards.

O—is a front view of rounded mouth.

T—is a vertical tongue touching the horizontal palate.

U & V—are both pairs of protruded lips.

W—is a pair of lips, like M, but pointing down instead of up.

The contentions of Paget coincide with many other scholars of the alphabet.

Madame L. Cantova, a Swiss school teacher, in 1929 pointed out that handwriting and articulation in children are closely allied, and that good articulation promotes good handwriting.

F. M. von Helmolt in 1667, with reference to the Hebrew alphabet advanced the belief that mouth gestures are responsible for the development of the alphabet.

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ROUND THE CINEMAS

"THE ROGUE SONG"—SECOND
LAST DAY.

THE "TRAVELLING EYE".

The "Travelling Eye" is the latest invention of the talking screen. It is a rehearsal camera consisting of the lens to be used later in the regular camera in filming a scene, affixed to a small projector which reproduces its image on a screen about five inches square.

Lionel Barrymore, director, used the apparatus to rehearse scenes in "The Rogue Song," in which Lawrence Tibbett is playing at the Queen's Theatre. By placing the apparatus where the regular camera later will be, the director can see the rehearsal on its screen as a motion picture, hence judge all action from this standpoint.

In calculating camera angles, the new apparatus, invented by Percy Holborn, camera man, is said to save many hours of adjustment and experiment.

"MONTANA MOON."

Joan Crawford, usually associated with society drawing rooms and flapper boarding schools, will be seen in a new environment in "Montana Moon," her latest Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer offering which will be shown on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre.

This production was made on a cattle ranch in the San Jacinto Mountains, 200 miles north of Los Angeles where Miss Crawford, together with her director, Malcolm St. Clair and a supporting cast which included John Mack Brown, Dorothy Sebastian, Ricardo Cortez, Benny Rubin, Cliff Edwards, Karl Dane, and Lloyd Ingraham established location headquarters.

The picture is said to be unique in that the majority of its extra players were recruited from the staff of cowpunchers on the ranch, whose activities, including the riding of bucking broncos, lassoing of steers, handling of stampedes and other purely Western pursuits, were included in the story as part of the general atmospheric detail.

It is reported that during the making of the picture, members of the company were required to adhere to a strict daily routine which included reporting for work at 7 a.m., wearing the same clothing during scenes while the temperature ranged intermittently between 50 degrees above zero in the morning and 78 above at midday, riding horseback almost all day long with cowboys, having dinner at 6 a.m., and responding to "taps" at 9 a.m.

THE "CUCKOO."

A whirlwind of glorious nonsense and riotous fun came to the screen of the Central Theatre yesterday under the title "The Cuckoo" and left audiences convinced they had seen one of the greatest entertainments in months.

They certainly had not seen anything remotely resembling this lavish fun treat in another show, for "The Cuckoo" is a fresh, new, brilliant departure for the motion pictures. It is not a revue; it is not a musical comedy—in fact, no previously used classification could fit this picture.

Perhaps the title, "The Cuckoo," explains the mood of the picture better than anything else. It is a show gone deliriously mad, with the comedy note topping everything else.

True, "The Cuckoo" carries a touching little romantic story; it is lavishly dressed and beautifully photographed, with a large part in gorgeous technicolor; it boasts the greatest cast of able featured players which has reached the screen for some time; hundreds of dances, singers, musicians and extras make it a production of extravaganzia proportion; nine lifting song hits are introduced.

But the comedy of Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey, stars of the piece, is not throughout the whole show. Never before has the screen presented a team of comedians like this one. They were featured in "Rio Rita," I'm sure, but they were kept under restraint in that musical. Here they are allowed to do everything—and how they give it!

Wheeler and Woolsey are indeed no small entity by little Dorothy Lee, cutlets of green comedians and Jobyna Ralston, compton player from the Broadway musical comedy stage.

The remainder of the cast is admirable. June Clyde and Hopie Tabor supply the love interest. Michael Lewis, one of the best dramatics in pictures today, and his charming wife, Margaretta Scott, are the leads in the musical comedy.

Other stars include the incomparable Fred Astaire and the incomparable Gene Kelly.

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ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT BY PARTNER.

DOCTOR AS COMPLAINANT.

A case in which a partner in a shipping firm was charged with theft or embezzlement of \$4,750 came before Mr. Williams at the Central Court yesterday.

Complainant was stated to be a doctor aboard the s.s. Seistan, and also a partner in the Young Nam Shipping Company of Hong Kong and Singapore, charterers of the ship. The grounds of the charge were alleged embezzlement of money in connection with receipts from boarding house proprietors, who incidentally acted as passenger agents for the shipping company.

Dr. Lam Yeung-hi, (complainant) was authorised by the other partners to come to Hong Kong to investigate affairs, and found that defendant was absent from his address at the time. He accordingly examined the books, and then made personal enquiries from the boarding house proprietors. His inquiries confirmed the suspicion that defendant had not paid in the actual amount that he had received.

Mr. E. S. C. Brookes, for the plaintiff, produced statements of figures covering eight trips. After complainant had gone into the box to give corroborative evidence, the case was adjourned.

MOTOR FATALITY.

VERDICT OF THE CORONER'S JURY.

Mr. H. R. Butters, sitting with a jury at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon conducted a Coroner's enquiry into the death of Ma Fat (42) who was knocked down by a motor car near Public Square Street off Nathan Road on the night of October 23.

Dr. Koch stated that death was due to hemorrhage, and the injuries were consistent with the man having been knocked down by a car.

In evidence, Ismail, the driver of the vehicle, said that at the time of the accident he was conveying Mr. K. K. Cannon, proprietor of Whiteaway's Circus, and Mr. P. V. Devan, the agent. He first saw the man when he was about ten feet away. Ma Fat was knocked down by the left mudguard, when he tried to turn back.

Traffic Sergeant Clarke said that he found the brakes to be in excellent order.

The jury returned a verdict of death by misadventure.

MOSCOW & THE EAST

PLANS FOR A REGULAR ZEPPELIN SERVICE.

Moscow, Sept. 10. In connection with the visit of the airship, Graf Zeppelin, it is stated here that conversations were taken up regarding the Soviets' plan to establish a regular airship service between Moscow and the Far East which would use airships of the Zeppelin type only.

Further details are still unavailable, but the prospects for early realisation of this scheme are said to be good, as airships could make the trip in a day and night without interruptions, and with very little preparation as regards landing fields en route.

Washington, Sept. 21. Permits for manufacture of an additional 2,000,000 gallons of bourbon and rye whiskey for medicinal purposes are soon to be issued by the Treasury it was learned here.

For the first time since pre-prohibition days, the Treasury this year authorised manufacture of whiskey to replenish medicinal stocks. Six distilleries in Kentucky and Pennsylvania are producing 2,000,000 gallons this year.

Decision has now been reached to manufacture a similar quantity next year and permits are expected to be issued soon by Mr. James M. Doran, industrial alcohol commissioner, to the same distilleries re-opened this year.

The United States annually consumes about 1,500,000 gallons of medicinal whiskey. Manufacture of 2,000,000 gallons is necessary however, to allow for evaporation and barrel leakage during the four-year aging period required by law.

Four Years Supply.

Stocks of medicinal liquor now on hand aggregate about 8,000,000 gallons, or a four-year supply after allowing for evaporation and leakage.

The liquor being distilled now, therefore, will not be used until four years hence, when present stocks are depleted.

Since prohibition, the amount of whiskey prescribed by physicians has varied little from year to year and has shown little increase in recent years.

Extreme care is taken by Treasury agents to avoid loss of any medicinal liquor in storage through theft, but despite all precautions some has been siphoned off and carried away by bootleggers.

Reports received here from St. Paul that government officials are seriously considering a plan to permit manufacture of beer containing more than 4% of fermentable alcohol, but non-intoxicating, in fact, a wine-like drink.

Announced by what he considered an "unfriendly stunt," Mr. Edison, the inventor refused to receive the "World's Oldest Man," the Turk Zoro Agha, who claims to be 106 and is now a millionaire.

Agreeing to meet him in New York, he legalised his claim to be 106 years old, and the Turk was given a \$100,000 gift.

Edison, who is 87, is the only man in the world to have been granted a patent for a device which he invented.

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TALKIE TALKS

By Diana

Are we all tired of War plays? What was the matter with "Journey's End"? I feel that the direction was to blame—that had not the appeal of the play. Staging on the legitimate is poles apart from directing a film, and, after all, War is entirely new to the work that takes years of study. I do not think Colin Clive is for the camera, nor "The Mike". I was frankly terribly disappointed, and bored to a degree. I have seen so many Stanhopes, and they all could give him points. Judged by its reception here, after all the boasting, and the favourable comment from the American critics (I wonder why they gave it such praise) I think Tiffany has not such a winner as they hoped, when they outbid all the other Companies who angled for this play. I doubt if they receive much remuneration for their huge outlay.

"The Rogue Song."

Hong Kongites, those of whom the critics write, who do not appreciate good music—certainly lived up to the name they have acquired in the Far East, by staying away from one of the finest performances we are ever likely to have here. The greatest baritone brought to our doors, exquisite ballets (alone worth the money) satisfying colour (I personally do not like it) amusing comedians; quite a decent story, delightful music by Franz Lehár, and the glorious voice of Lawrence Tibbett. Yet it did not receive the support it warranted. All this for the large sum of about two shillings. In London we should be sitting in the back row of the gallery for that price. There is certainly a great lack of appreciation in this Colony of the good things of life—music is amongst the greatest of blessings—that are handed to us—and at such a reasonable price. Every man to his taste, of course. There will be those who will much prefer "The Cuckoos." That's that! That wonder child Mitzi Green who scored the biggest hit in "Paramount on Parade" is playing opposite our old favourite—Jackie Coogan—now a fine youth of sixteen—in Mark Twain's Tom Sawyer (Huckleberry Fin). She is developing into a very fine actress, and they are scheduled to make a great hit, according to the "Taken" so far.

Marquis de La Falaise.

Third at attempt, and gone where all the others have gone—on the rocks—Our beautiful Gloria now divorces her Marquis husband, and he will most likely be snatched up by the beauteous Constance Bennett, who received the enormous alimony of one million dollars from her millionaire husband—Phil Plant, when she tired of him. All three sisters, very clever, daughters of a very clever father, sophisticated to a degree. They know what they want, and what is more, they take what they want, and get away with it. We'll see.

Vilma Banky.

Vilma Banky, who will be seen shortly at the Queen's, intended to retire and just be a lovely wife to Roque but Warner Baxter has prevailed on her to act opposite him in "The Cisco Kid." He is rather like Ronald Colman. I wonder whether they will prove as great a team as those two did in the movies. They were in a class by themselves and none of Colman's leads has proved quite so satisfying as the lovely Vilma.

Montana Moon.

The delightful talented Joan Crawford in a part in which she stands alone. Spoiled daughter of a rich ranch owner. John Mack Brown supporting, and Ricardo Cortez also on the scene to lend dashing Latin colour. Pretty theme song—"The Moon is Low." Not one of Joan's best, but being quite good, she is improving all the time in the Talkies, her latest being "Blushing Brides" is acclaimed by the Press as super. Her marriage is still a huge success, and her talented, poetic, dreamer of a husband is about to be starred by First National, and not because he is the son of Douglas Fairbanks, but because he has earned it by excellent work in every film in which he has appeared. I like Joan in everything, so I am no criterion as to the merits of this coming film.

"The Cuckoos" (Central).

From the musical comedy "The Ramblers." If you care for Bert Wheeler and Bob Woolsey in "Pic Rita" you will like this. Just a repeat performance of that comedy work in that play, with the aid of the "heavy" Johnny Howard, and Dorothy Lea, neither of whom do I like.

"Jewels of Paris" (Central). Seems to be a play that we are to have Chevalier's first film after the matinee play. It is a musical comedy, and I am afraid it will be a flop.

chance would come when he played in the spots that were patronised by the élite of the film Colony. What a hope! It was only by the merest chance that one day he went to the Roosevelt, and saw a pretty girl sitting with an older woman and he asked her to dance with him. As he left the hotel, he was asked at what studio—he worked, as the man (film manager) had noticed him dancing with Lily Damita: Imagine the kid's joy and surprise, as he had had no idea with whom he had danced. A small chance came after this, but nothing of consequence, and again months of hopelessness. Then this small part with the Garbo, and now stardom with Universal. This is not one of the Garbo's best, but of course, anything she does pleases me. What is really her attraction? She can look downright plain; she slinks and slouches. She hates dressing smartly, but she can look so beautiful. I really think her first Talkie, "Anna Christie," will score with every one. Her diction is clear (English training), voice slightly husky but full of tones. I am so glad that she is an enormous hit in London as elsewhere, in "Romance". She keeps up that broken Italian accent as well as Doris Kean did (Oh and How wonderful that woman was in that part!) Greta's ambition is to be the greatest tragedienne on the stage and to take London, New York, Paris and Berlin by storm. She certainly does it in her films; her appeal is world-wide.

Dorothy Janis.

That clever little artiste, Dorothy Janis, passed through from Borneo where she and twelve others have been taking pictures in the native surroundings. She will be remembered for her good work with Ramon Novarro in "The Pagan." They left in the Empress of Canada much to the disappointment of all as they were so keen to stop over for a few days more at "Heaven's gift to Hong Kong" (as she termed it) Repulse Bay Hotel, our little touch of the Riviera.

BRITISH PICTURE.

EFFORT TO BEAT HOLLYWOOD.

Elstree, Eng., Sept. 25. Encouraged by the success of its recent productions, the British motion picture industry is preparing to discard its swaddling clothes and challenge the world, writes Arthur F. Dreyfus.

The big guns of Elstree, loaded with dollars, however, are trained upon Hollywood. The competition from Germany and France is not regarded seriously. It is estimated in some quarters that between \$25,000,000 and \$35,000,000 will be spent in the coming year in the production of British films.

The industry has had a hard fight to live. It was dealt a severe body blow by the world war and slowly was recuperating in the face of super-productions from Hollywood, when the "talkies" arrived.

Leaders were dismayed. Thousands of feet of "silents" lay unsaleable upon the shelves. The first Hollywood talkies, as poor as they were, proved a novelty and filled movie houses.

Sound Machinery Installed.

Studios here had to be remodelled; thousands of dollars had to be spent in sound machinery and the uneven battle with Hollywood continued. However, audiences gradually began to tire of American slang phrases which they did not understand and with the appearance of such British pictures as "Rookery Nook" and "Atlantic," they turned eagerly to those echoing the mother tongue.

This was the situation a year ago when British International Pictures, the largest organization in the industry, launched an ambitious production programme. "Blackmail" and "Murder" were highly successful as was "Loose Ends."

The United States had a long start, but the best British pictures are now superlative artistically, and as profit-making produc-

tions as the best products in Hollywood," the film critics of the "Daily Mail" wrote recently. This is typical of the British less reaction to the progress made by the industry.

No Governmental Help.

Motion picture officials have found lack of governmental co-operation one of the hardest barriers to hurdle. They have been denied permission to utilise streets, historic buildings or the army or navy for their various films. While "shooting" "Middle Watch," popular stage play, the Admiralty authorised actors to appear on board a naval cruiser but specified none should impersonate the role of an officer.

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Not the least of the disadvantages has been the quota system which under the Cinematograph Films Act of 1927 fixed the "renter's quota" at 7½ per cent. This enabled renting companies to pur-

chase inferior films cheaply and

make no effort to palm them off

on exhibitors, and had the effect

of encouraging ludicrous produc-

tions.

Next year, however, the quota will be 12½ per cent., meaning that every American renting firm which seeks to sell pictures in Britain must acquire one English film for every seven American pictures rented to exhibitors.

The result, according to reports which, however, could not be verified, has been to cause American producers to seek studio room in England where they could fill their quotas. Other reports current are that some are attempting to negotiate huge contracts with British producers with this in view.

The industry has been aided in its fight by the fact that produc-

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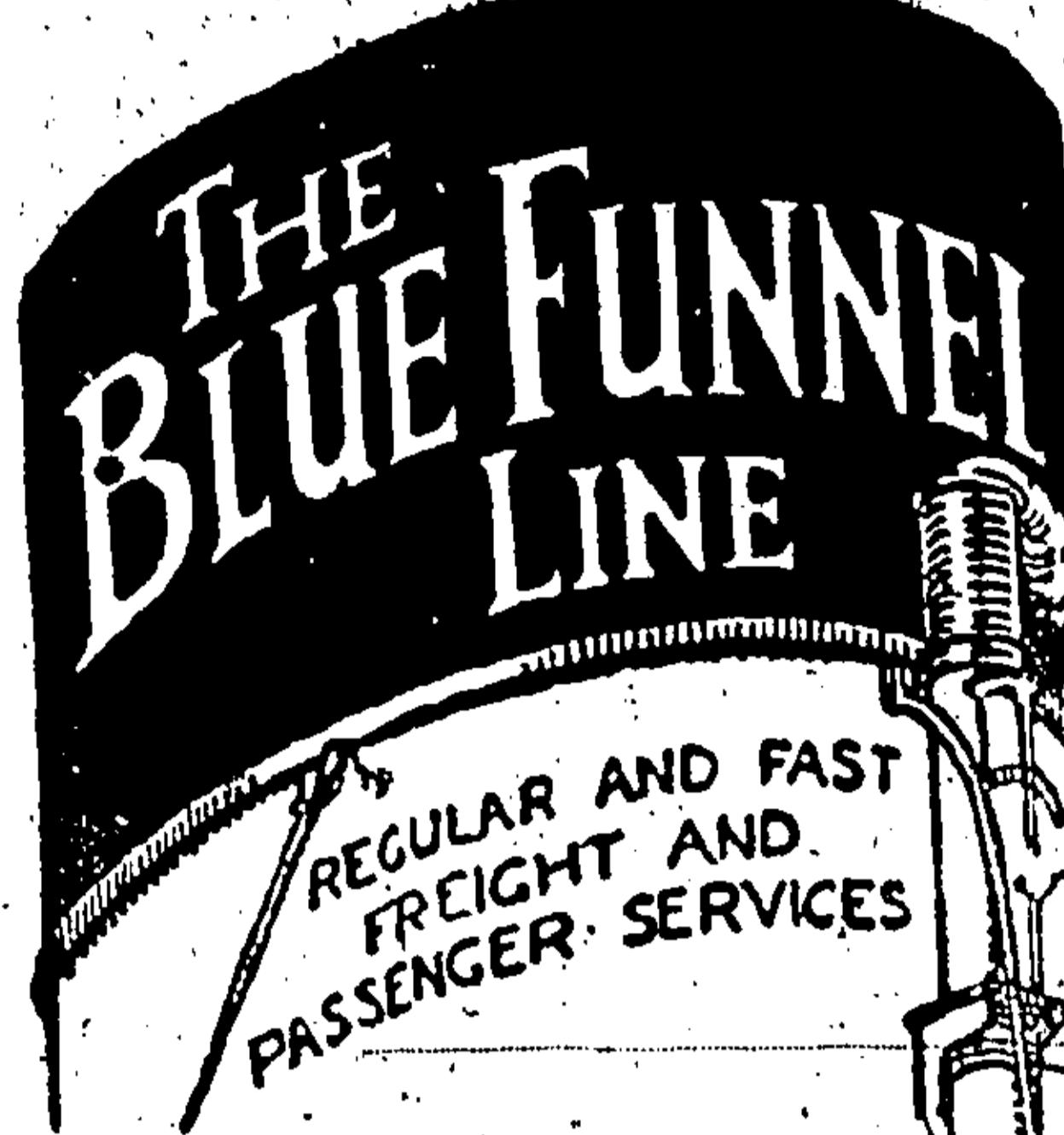
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GALLANT RESCUE.
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SAVED HIS COMPANION.

London, Yesterday.
The Albert Medal has been awarded to the foreman engineer, Leech, for his gallant rescue of his companion on the occasion of the R.101 disaster.—Reuter.

Another Report.

London, Yesterday.
The wireless operator of the R.101, Mr. Disley, who was one of the survivors of the disaster, and who at the first opportunity got into telephone communication with the Air Ministry and gave early news of the crash, has had his exploit specially recognised.

He has been awarded the Medal for Meritorious Services and Order of the British Empire.—Reuter.

Further Revelations.

Further revelations as to the airship's performance were made at the resumption of the R.101 inquiry to-day. The Solicitor General quoted Lieut. Irwin's having reported, after three trial flights in July, that the airship was "heavy" also that the outer cover was "flapping considerably," and a number of small holes had appeared in the gasbag, as to which Lieut. Irwin suspected the gas valves were affected. The hearing of evidence was then begun.

Professor Bairstow gave a long technical explanation and described the difference between the Zeppelin and the R.100 and R.101 types.

There was a sensation when the Attorney General, who had been absent with Air Ministry officials, returned and announced that a document had been picked up in France, obviously a sheet from the engine log of one of the airship's car units, in which the last entry was made at two in the morning, when the engine revolutions were normal.—Reuter.

[Professor Leonard Bairstow is the Zaharoff Professor of Aviation, University of London, and Director of the School of Aviation, Imperial College of Science and Technology.]

THE SECRET OF LONG LIFE.

Vision of Living for Centuries.

SURGEON'S VIEW.

"The secret of long life must be sought for in the human cell and not alone in the transplanting of gland. If this means for rejuvenation can be found man may live centuries," declared Dr. Choze Aoyama, the famous surgeon of the Tokyo Imperial University Hospital.

To a representative of the Japan Times recently.

"Doctors have been working to solve this problem of paramount importance for years but, so far, no appreciable progress has been made," explained Dr. Aoyama.

He expressed the opinion, however, that Dr. Serge Voronoff's experiments were showing signs of some concrete advance, but he believed that anything that has been done heretofore was only an elementary stepping stone to the great citadel of human longevity.

Countless doctors have been experimenting to rejuvenate the cell, according to Dr. Aoyama. They are all convinced that the cell is the source of human energy, but, as the very nature of the cell is still obscure, he presumed a long time must elapse before anything approaching cell rejuvenation can be achieved.

WANG CHING-WEI.

SEEKS SAFE PASSAGE THROUGH TIENSIN.

Tientsin, Wednesday.
Kok Thal-kei, an emissary of Wang Ching-wei, arrived at Tientsin on Tuesday and was escorted by a delegate of Wang Shu-hsiang on the trip to Shenyang where he intends meeting Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang to negotiate for a free passage through Tientsin for a broad of chiefs of the Left parties.

Upon Kok's arrival at Tientsin he immediately went to interview Wang Hsueh-liang to obtain the latter's view on his mission.

As a guarantee that he will not be molested during his journey to Shenyang, Wang has sent an escort to accompany the emissary.—Canton Gazette.

CHINA & RUSSIA.

FRONTIER DEFENCE IS STRENGTHENED.

GUNBOATS DESPATCHED.

Shenyang, Wednesday.
For the defence of the Sino-Soviet frontier, Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang has instructed Admiral Shen Hung-lich to despatch shallow-draught gunboats to Tungkien to strengthen the garrison on that district.

The magistrate of Tungkien has wired to the Fengtien authorities reporting that three Soviet gunboats had employed live shells in their practice outside the mouth of the Sankiang to the distress of the people.

General Chang Tso-hsiang has also despatched two infantry brigades and one cavalry brigade to various important points between Tungkien and Fuchin to carry out defense work in the frontier.—Canton Gazette.

PREMIUM RATES.

MANUFACTURERS' LIFE'S NEW POLICY.

A very liberal increase in the amount of life insurance which may now be bought for a given premium was announced on September 16, by the Manufacturers' Life Insurance Co. of Canada. This company's business, both in Canada and in Great Britain, has been increasing at a rapid rate and successful experience from the standpoint both of mortality and of investment income has made it possible materially to increase the amount of protection given its policy-holders, says the Financial News.

The new rates provide an increase of cash dividends to policy-holders varying from 10 to 25 per cent. on the average, and the guarantee in effect of from 30 to as much as 60 per cent. of the only feature in the life policy never previously guaranteed. The new policy gives the holder complete freedom over the form of his insurance protection. He may change it from a whole life to a policy with a limited number of years of premium payments, or to an endowment policy.

The new guarantees appear to mark a definite step in the progress of life insurance as the useful servant of all branches of the population. In some cases the new rates give increased protection amounting to as much as 23.7 per cent.

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